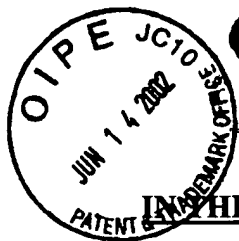


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**CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE
TO CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP
(37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a))**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:


The undersigned, assignee of the above-identified patent application, hereby consents to the correction of the inventorship of this application through the deletion of the following originally-named inventors: Masahiro Kanai; Yasuko Hirano; Yasushi Akatsuka; Takayuki Iijima; Noriaki Okazawa; Hitoshi Matsumoto; and Yasuhiro Ogura

To establish the assignee's authority, a completed Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) has been filed herewith.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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Date: May 28, 2002

By: 
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING
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Sir:

I hereby certify that, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.8, the following correspondence:

Request to Correct Inventorship... (3 pgs); Consent of Assignee to Correction of Inventorship... (1 pg); Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) (1 pg); Statement of Persons Being Deleted as Inventors... (2 pgs); Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application (8 pgs, executed); and Return Postcard

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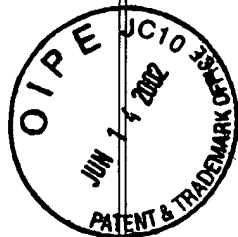
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REQUEST TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP
(37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a))

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the inventorship of the above-identified application be corrected by amending the application as follows::

IN THE INVENTORSHIP:

Please delete the following seven of the fourteen originally-named inventors:

Masahiro Kanai, Yasuko Hirano, Yasushi Akatsuka, Takayuki Iijima, Noriaki Okazawa, Hitoshi Matsumoto, and Yasuhiro Ogura.

REMARKS

This Request to Correct Inventorship under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a) has been filed in order to correct the inventorship of the above-identified application, pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a) and MPEP § 201.03.

The following seven of the fourteen originally-named inventors named in the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney filed with this application¹ are being deleted -- Masahiro Kanai, Yasuko Hirano, Yasushi Akatsuka, Takayuki Iijima, Noriaki Okazawa, Hitoshi Matsumoto, and Yasuhiro Ogura. The contributions of these seven inventors are no longer being claimed in this application.

Subsequent to the filing of this application it was determined that only some of the named inventors are the actual inventors of the invention now claimed in this application. Accordingly, this Request has been filed to delete the names of the above-identified seven originally named individuals, who are not inventors of the invention currently being claimed.

As established by accompanying Statement from the persons being deleted as inventors, this error in inventorship arose without deceptive intent.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a), also submitted herewith are:

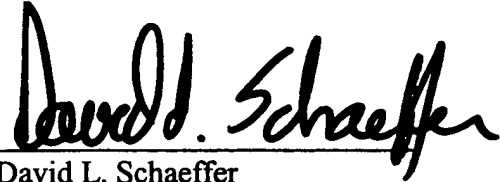
1. a statement from each of the individuals who are being deleted as inventors that the inventorship error occurred without any deceptive intention on their part (Statement of Erroneously Persons Being Deleted as Inventors);
2. a Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 from each of the actual inventors; and
3. the written consent of the Assignee, this statement complying with the requirements of § 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) (Consent of Assignee to Correction of Inventorship).

¹ This application is a division claiming the priority of U.S. Patent Appln. No. 09/312,073. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)(1), this application was filed using a copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney from that parent application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the \$130.00 processing fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) for this Request as specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a), as well as any other fee which may now or hereafter be due, to deposit account no. 19-4709.

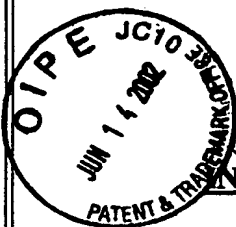
Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "David L. Schaeffer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "D" and "S".

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**STATEMENT OF PERSONS
BEING DELETED AS INVENTORS
(37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a))**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

We are each named as inventors of the above-identified patent application, and we make this statement in support of the accompanying Request to Correct Inventorship.

We each have been erroneously named as inventors of the subject application, and the inventorship of this application should be changed to omit our names.

This error in inventorship occurred without any deceptive intent.

We each hereby declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and correct, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and correct, and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing therefrom.

Executed on:

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